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IN RE APPLICATION OF

Volker DIECKMANN

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FOR: CLAMPING PIECE OF SPRINGY
SHEET MATERIAL

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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 12, 2004, please amend the instant application as follows:

Amendments to the Abstract are set forth on page 2.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.